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July 20, 1978

R.L. Scott
Chromalloy, Gulfco Division
Drawer O
Freeport, Texas 77541

Dear Mr. Scott:

In response to your request of July 13, 1978, for the name of the party or parties making a nuisance complaint, our office received on July 10, 1978 a complaint from Mrs. Arthur L. Friery concerning the dust nuisance caused by sand-blasting operations at Chromalloy.

Sincerely,

Karla Painter
Karla Painter
Engineering Technician, Region VII

cc: Mrs. Arthur L. Friery

Doc: Board, File, Compliance

NOTE:

THIS LETTER SENT FOLLOWING A TEL. DISCUSSION BETWEEN
MIKE INNERARITY & COLBY TOROAN (AUSTIN, COMPLAINT) RE
POLICY CONCERNING WRITTEN REQUEST FOR COMPLAINTS.
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7-25-78

T&E 000730

July 20, 1978

Mrs. Arthur L. Friery

Dear Mrs. Friery:

On July 12, 1978, I conducted an investigation of your dust complaint concerning Chromalloy sandblasting. ~~When sandblasting operations were under way that day.~~ The current blasting site should not cause dust problems at the house in question while the wind is from the southeast; however, a north wind could conceivably carry sand to the house.

After the investigation, Chromalloy submitted a written request for the name of the complainant, which we are required to provide. A copy of the response to Chromalloy is enclosed with this letter.

~~It is necessary for a representative of the Air Control Board to witness the nuisance condition.~~ If you could inform us of the problem while it is occurring, we will send an investigator as soon as possible. If you have any questions or further problems, feel free to contact me at 5555 West Loop, Suite 300, Bellaire, Texas 77401 (telephone: (713) 666-4964).

Sincerely,

Karla Painter

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Engineering Technician, Region VII
Texas Air Control Board

bcc: File, Board, Compliance

T&E 000728

July 20, 1978

Mrs. Arthur L. Friery

Dear Mrs. Friery:

On July 12, 1978, I conducted an investigation of your dust complaint concerning Chromalloy sandblasting. ~~Was sandblasting operations were underway that day.~~ The current blasting site should not cause dust problems at the house in question while the wind is from the southeast; however, a north wind could conceivably carry sand to the house.

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Texas Air Control Board

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T&E 000020

Investigator's Comments
Chromalloy
Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas

116-447-9
July 12, 1973
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On July 12, 1973, I investigated a complaint of dust caused by sandblasting at Chromalloy in Freeport. The complainant, Mrs. Arthur M. Priery of Houston, called in behalf of her Freeport tenant, Steve Campbell, who has been bothered by the dust on and off several years.

I attempted unsuccessfully to contact Mr. Campbell, and then proceeded to Chromalloy. I contacted Charles Tanner, Personnel & Safety Director for the firm, and informed him that we had received dust complaints on the sandblasting operation. No sandblasting was being done that day. The current site is in the middle of the Chromalloy property, and the prevailing SE wind would only carry dust to a neighboring empty field. A north wind, however, would probably carry dust to the complainant's house. This is especially true if a barge were being sandblasted; the barges cannot be carried into the blasting site. Also, the site apparently tends to "move" towards the complainant's house in some seasons.

I informed Mr. Tanner of the possibility of violations if the dust left his property and became a nuisance. I also left a card with the Campbell household with instructions to call me if the problem arose again.

Marla Painter
Marla Painter
Engineering Technician, Region VII

T&E 000021

July 20, 1978

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Chromalloy, Gulfco Division
Drawer O
Freeport, Texas 77541

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NAMES.

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7-25-78

T&E 000022



CHROMALLOY
A Corporate Family of Greiner Companies

GULFCO DIVISION

Drawer O
Freeport, Texas 77541
(713) 233-7851

July 13, 1978

Texas Air Quality Board
5555 West Loop
Suite 300
Bellaire, Texas 77401

Attention: Ms. Karla Painter
Regional Operations

Dear Ms. Painter:

In reference to your inspection tour to our facilities on July 12, 1978, regarding a nuisance complaint about our sandblasting operations, and your instructions of that date, we hereby request the name of the party or parties making such complaint.

We have an active public relations program and strive to work in harmony with our neighbors and wish to make an effort to determine the truth in the complaint.

Yours very truly,


R. L. Scott

Vice President and General Manager

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TEXAS AIR CONTROL BOARD

T&E 000008



CHROMALLOY
A Corporate Facility of Crucible Companies

GULFCO DIVISION

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TEXAS AIR CONTROL BOARD

T&E 000751



CHROMALLOY
A Corporate Family of Grashco Companies

February 10, 1978

GULFCO DIVISION

Drawer O
Freeport, Texas 77541
(713) 233-7851

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Brazoria County*

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Texas Air Control Board
Air Quality Control Region 7
5555 West Loop, Suite 300
Bellaire, Texas 77401

Attention: Mr. Gene Speller
Environmental Health Specialist
Region VII

Subject: Your letter of January 19, 1978

Gentlemen:

*A copy of Gulfco's Policy Directive issued February 1, 1978, is enclosed.

This Directive defines the problem and solution to possible sandblast operation dust nuisance to citizens in this area.

Our roadways, beaches and work areas generally are of materials emitting dust during dry conditions and in unusual conditions dust will rise and drift across residential areas. Gulfco's operations will be controlled to prevent dust adding to the natural or uncontrolled emissions.

We take pride in our record of emission control but recognize we must take credit for some natural or uncontrolled emissions by being a visible industry.

Please be assured of our continuing efforts and cooperation to make our air as clean as possible and "make a living" possible.

Yours very truly,

B. L. Tanner
B. L. Tanner
President

*Enclosure

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TEXAS AIR CONTROL BOARD

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CHROMALLOY
A Corporate Family of Creative Companies

GULFCO DIVISION

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Freeport, Texas 77541
(713) 233-7851

February 1, 1978

POLICY DIRECTIVE - EMISSION CONTROL - SANDBLAST DUST

Typical Wind Directions - North or South - has allowed normal dust from traffic and sandblast operations to dissipate without causing a nuisance in our area.

Conditions other than normal - light rising air currents of variable direction - will require close control of operations to prevent dust from sandblasting causing a nuisance on adjacent property.

B. L. Tanner
President

T&E 000007

Investigator's Comments
Chromalloy
Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas

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July 12, 1973
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Mario Palater
an Engineering Technician, Region VII



CHROMALLOY

A Corporate Family of Creative Companies

February 10, 1978

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Chromalloy
Brazoria County*

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President

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FEB 13 1978

REGION 7
TEXAS AIR CONTROL BOARD

T&E 000753



CHROMALLOY
A Corporate Family of Dresser Companies

February 1, 1978

GULFCO DIVISION

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B. L. Tanner
President

T&E 000752

January 19, 1978

Mr. B. L. Tanner, President
Chromalloy, Gulfco Division
Drawer O
Freeport, Texas 77541

Dear Mr. Tanner:

On December 1, 1977 I inspected your facility in regard to a citizen complaint about emissions from Chromalloy's sandblasting operations. Although I could not confirm a nuisance or violation of Texas Air Control Board regulations at the time of the inspection it is conceivable that a nuisance could occur on days with the right wind conditions.

I suggest that you take whatever measures are necessary to assure that emissions from the sandblasting operation do not leave your property and cause a nuisance in the nearby residential area.

Within ten (10) days from the date of this letter, please notify this office as to what steps have been or will be taken to assure that a nuisance does not occur.

If there are questions you can reach me at telephone number (713) 666-4964 at 5555 West Loop, Room 300, Bellaire, Texas, 77401.

Sincerely,

ds *JK*
Gene Speller
Environmental Health Specialist
Region VII

cc: Carl E. Edlund, Chief
Air Compliance Branch
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Dallas, Texas 75270

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bcc: Complainant
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Freeport, Texas 77451

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T&E 000755

cc: Mr. Cecil Bradford
Chief, Compliance Division
Texas Air Control Board
8520 Shoal Creek Boulevard
Austin, Texas 78758

Mr. Lloyd Stewart ✓
Regional Supervisor, Region 7
Texas Air Control Board
5555 West Loop, Suite 300
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